

# Obituary

## **Dorothy Louise Lindholm Gast**

**1928-2023**

Dorothy Louise Lindholm Gast, age 94, was born August 10, 1928, in Arnold, Nebraska, to Roy Joseph and Edythe Myrtle (Atkins) Lindholm. She passed away April 27, 2023, in Broken Bow, Nebraska.

“Dottie,” as she was affectionately known, spent her early childhood with her family; being raised on her paternal grandparents’, Walter and Sophia Lindholm’s, farm in Mill’s Valley. The family then spent many years with her maternal grandparents, Tillman (Tim) and Bertha Atkins, east of Arnold.

Upon graduating from Arnold High School in 1946, Dot moved to Denver, Colorado, and graduated from the Central Business College in 1947. She married Orvel Gast, and prior to starting a family, worked at Poindexter Electric as the credit manager until 1955. She was also employed at Mount Airy Hospital from 1961 to 1963. She was a member of Burns United Methodist Church in Aurora, Colorado.

Dot returned to Arnold in 1976, opening the fabric store The Stitching Post. Later, she and O’Dean Beeken partnered in purchasing Pool’s Department Store. Mrs. Beeken retired soon after and Dot continued the business until her retirement.

Dot’s favorite childhood memories were going fishing with her father, traveling with her sister to visit their Aunt Esther Miller and Uncle George Lindholm, both of Elmwood, her Uncle Alec Lindholm’s family in Oconto, and having hot chocolate with her Aunt Myrtle and Uncle Walter Anderson. She treasured spending time with her Aunt Susie Halstead, Aunt



Jackie Babcock, and Uncle Al Atkins.

Dot was a successful businessperson, avid reader, an accomplished seamstress, and loved sharing her gardening skills.

She spent her last years being cared for by the kind staff at Brookstone View in Broken Bow, Nebraska.

Her parents and younger brother, Douglas Lindholm, predeceased her.

Dot is survived by her daughter, Cynthia (Cindy) R Powell, of Lexington, South Carolina; son, Dr. Kim G. Gast of St Cloud, Minnesota; sister, Janice (Don) Life of York, Nebraska; and many nieces and nephews.

The family would like to express their gratitude to the entire staff for the compassionate care Dot received at Brookstone View with thanks to her special friend, Mackenzie Ferguson Kulp. They would also like to thank the residents of Riverview, as well as Diane and Mo Sanford for their many visits and ever faithful friendship.

A graveside service will be Monday, May 8, 2023, at 11:00 am at the Arnold Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be offered to the First Baptist Church or The Finch Library of Arnold. Govier Brothers Mortuary are in charge of arrangements.